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Everyone invited to free senior green event

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – Everyone is invited to the first environmental conference hosted by 200 Mount Rubidoux Manor Retirement Community seniors from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Saturday, at the city's White Park, 3901 Market Street.

"The Greater Riverside Conference of Seniors Giving the Gift of Green to Their Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren" may be a mouthful to say, but organizers wanted to make sure the gravity of the occasion was apparent to everyone.

"A small child now will face the crisis of global warming sometime in his or her life," said manor resident and global warming activist Wally Longshore. "If we don't do something now to prevent it from happening, it could be devastating on a global scale."

Participants will be able to take part in six discussion seminars on climate change, as well as visit up to 30 booths displaying the latest information and technology on building a sustainable green community. Riverside Public Utilities will give away a low-energy refrigerator to one Riverside participant.

"The good news is that if we act now, a normal household can remove 4.5 tons of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere annually," Longshore added.

Speakers at the event include Mayor Ron Loveridge, Councilmember Mike Gardner and the vice chair of the South Coast Air Quality Management Board, Dennis Yeats.

"This conference is a great example of how Riverside's seniors can make a major impact in our community," said Mayor Ron Loveridge. "With green initiatives being a top priority, I am delighted our seniors are hosting this conference to create awareness and provide information on 'going green'."

"The effort by seniors at Mount Rubidoux Manor to fight global warming and give the gift of green to their grandchildren and great grandchildren is a wonderful new idea," said Mike Gardner, Ward 1 councilmember. "Everyone will benefit from the Manor's conference."

For more information on the conference, call (951) 684-3154 or visit www.seniorsgogreen.com.

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